

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7081

Investigation into Least-Cost Integrated Resource)
Planning for Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc.'s)
Transmission System)

Order entered: 7/29/2010

ORDER RE REQUEST TO MODIFY COST-ALLOCATION
METHODOLOGY FOR PUBLIC MEMBER EXPENSES

On December 23, 2009, the Vermont System Planning Committee ("VSPC") filed an "Evaluation of the Docket 7081 Planning Structure" ("Evaluation Report"). The Evaluation Report included a number of recommendations, including the following:

Public member cost allocation methodology: Request that the Public Service Board [("Board")] modify the cost allocation methodology for public member expenses to be consistent with the allocation of other VSPC operating expenses.¹

The Evaluation Report did not specifically request the Board to act on this recommendation.

On May 17, 2010, the Board issued a memorandum asking the VSPC to file, by June 15, 2010, a statement clarifying whether it requests that the Board implement this recommendation. The memorandum set a deadline of June 30, 2010, for responses to the VSPC statement.

On June 14, 2010, the VSPC filed a letter in which it formally requested that the Board approve the cost-allocation recommendation. No other comments have been filed.

As the VSPC notes in its June 14 letter, the small amounts of public members' expense reimbursements do not justify a separate accounting system. Therefore, we approve the VSPC's request. The cost-allocation methodology for VSPC public-member expenses shall be consistent with the allocation of other VSPC operating expenses.

SO ORDERED.

1. Evaluation Report at 18.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 29th day of July, 2010.

<u>s/ James Volz</u>)	
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<u>s/ David C. Coen</u>)	BOARD
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<u>s/ John D. Burke</u>)	

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: July 29, 2010

ATTEST: s/ Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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